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Presented for filing is a new divisional patent application of:

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Title: Nucleic Acid Molecules Encoding Multiple Start
Codons and Histidine Tags

The prior application is assigned of record to Iowa State University Research Foundation, Inc., an Iowa corporation, by virtue of Assignments submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office and recorded on August 8, 2002 at Reel 013181, Frame 0303.

Enclosed are the following papers, including those required to receive a filing date under 37 CFR §1.53(b):

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Enclosures:

- Sequence Listing, 10 pages.
- Request under 37 C.F.R. §1.821(e) to Transfer Computer Readable Form, 1 page.
- Preliminary Amendment, 5 pages.
- Postcard.

This application is a divisional application and claims the benefit of priority under 35 USC §120 of U.S. Application No. 09/897,776, filed June 29, 2001, which is a continuation-in-part application and claims benefit under 35 U.S.C. §120 of U.S. Application No. 09/732,725, filed December 8, 2000, which claims benefit under 35

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U.S.C. §119(e) of U.S. Application No. 60/169,725, filed December 8, 1999. The disclosures of the prior applications are considered part of (and are incorporated by reference in) the disclosure of this application.

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